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ACTES MADE IN THE
Session of this present parliamente, holden vppon

prozogation at Westminster the

iiii. daye of februarye, in the. xliii. yere of

the regne of our most graddde soueraigne

lorde kynge Henry the eighth, and

there continued and kept tyll

the. vii. date of April the

nexte ensuinge, to

the honour of

God and holy

Church,

and for the common weale of this

his Realme.



Londini in aedibus Thomae Bertheleti

Per sui impressoris Excus.

Anno. M. D. XXXVII.

Cum privilegio.

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An acte concernynge true tanninge and coziynge
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Cap. i.



For as muche as great multitude of hydes and tanned lether is vntuly, insufficiently, and deceuably tanned, co-ryed, and wrought within this realme, and much more ex-ceeding in the pices than haue bene at any time heretofore, by reason wherof the kynges pooze subiectes bee greatlye hyndred and decayed, and few of them can go or ryde dyerther in shoes or bootes, nor haue any good or strong horseharnes of lether, ne any endewyng saddleles, maales, or boudgettes, ne any other thynges made of tanned lether, to their great damage, losse, and hinder-auce. And notwithstandinge diuers good statutes haue bene made for the true coziynge, and tannynge of lether, and searche of the same: yet ne-uerthelesse the tanners daylye sell their lether in their owne dwellynge houses, or in their secrete places and houses out of the common sayres or markettes: by reason wherof the same lether is vnserched, and for the most parte wrought in the necessities amonge the kynges pooze subiectes, to their great damage. For reformation wherof be it enacted by the kyng our soueraigne Lorde, and the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons in this present parliament assembled and by auctoritee of the same, that all and synghuler estatutes here tofore made concernynge the tanners and coziours, and cozdwainers, and euery of them, their misteries and occupacions, and the misteries and occupacions of euerye of them, standynge in force and not repelled nor expired, shall be and stonde in their full streingthe, force, and effecte, accor dyng to the tenours and purpotes of the same.

And to the intente that due and plaine serche maye be had of tanned lether before it be putte to sale, Be it enacted, that no personne or persons, from the feast of Saint Michaell the archangell, whiche shall be in the yere of our Lorde God. M.D. xxiii. shall put any tanned lether to sale, within the citee of London, nor within thre miles compasse of the same, vnlesse it be broughe into open markette at Leaden hall in London, or els in any the sayres holden within the sayde citee, or elles where without the sayd citee, within the sayde thre miles compasse: and there be serched and marked by such that haue the searche therof, as hath bene accustomed, vpon payne to forfeite the value of euerye hyde or parcell of lether, tanned and solde after the sayde feast, contrarye to this acte. Nor that any per-sonne or personnes, vpon lyke payne put any tanned lether to sale, out of the sayde markette of Leaden hall, and out of the seynes kepte within the sayd citee, and thre myles compasse therof, in any other place or places of thys realme but onely in open sayres or markettes, holden and kepte with in any parte of thys realme: the one halfe of suche forfeiture, yf it be with in the citee of London, or within thre myles, compasse therof, to be to the

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kyng our soueraygne lord, and the other half therof to the wardens of the felowshyp of the cordwayners within the same citee, or to the wardens of the felowshipp of the Saddlers, girdlers, corpers, or any other of the kynges subiectes in the sayde cytee, that is to saye, to such of the sayde wardens or kynges subiectes, that shall first sue for the same, by action of dette, bylle, playnte or informacion, in any of the kynges courtes, in whiche suite no essoyne, protection, ne wager of law shall be admitted.

And yf the sayde forfeiture happen to be out of the sayde citee, and out of the sayde thre myles compass, than thone moortee of suche penaltee to bee to the kyng our soueraygne Lord, and thother moortee therof to the Maires, shryffes, baylyffes of cytees boroughes and townes corporate, and Lordes of leetes, within whose iurisdiction or auctoritee any suche forfeiture shall happen to be recovered by lyke action and suite, and after like maner as is aboue sayde: And for lacke of so doyng, that then it shall be leful for any of the kynges subiectes to haue power and auctoritee in the suynge therof. And where it is commonly vsed, that a print, seale, or marke shoulde be sette and put by the searchers of tanned lether, or by suche as take vpon them the serche or sealyng of the same, vppon euery hyde well and sufficiently tanned, befoze the sealyng therof, to the intente that the goodnesse therof, by the same shoulde be knowen to the byers therof. Which marke or prynte, for corrupcion and lucre, ys commonly sette and put by suche as take vpon them the serche and sealyng, as well vppon lether insufficiently tanned, as vppon lether well tanned, to the great decepte of the byers therof: Be it enacted by auctoritee aforesayde, that euery suche personne and personnes, takynge vpon hym or them the serche makynge or sealyng of any suche tanned lether, whiche do putte or sette any marke seale or prynte vppon any hyde or pece of lether, not beyng well and sufficiently tanned, shall lose and forsayte. iiii. s. iiii. d. for euery hyde or pece of lether that he or they shall so marke, seale, or put any prynt vnto, not beyng sufficiently tanned: The one halfe of whiche forsayture to be to the kyng our soueraygne lord, and the other moortee therof to suche as will sue for the same by originall writte of dette, byll, playnte, or informacion. In which action or suite no wager of lawe, essoyne, or protection shall be allowed or admitted.

¶ And all be it, it is ordeyned and enacted by the statute made in the tenth yere of our soueraygne lord kyng Henry the. viii. that the wardynes and felowshyp of the craft of coriers within the sayd citee of London and thei successors, or thei sufficient deputy or deputies, shoulde haue the serche of tanned lether, within the sayde cytee and the suburges of the same, and in other places next adioynng, expessed in the sayd acte, as by the same acte moze at large is declared: yet neuerthelesse in other citees, boroughes to townes corporate, markettes, and faires, there be no serchers appointed, by reason whereof no person will put any diligence to the same, onlesse some auctoritee may be geuen in that behalfe.

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It is therefore enacted by auctorite of this present parliamente, that the same acte made in the saide .iii. yere of our sayd soueraigne lordes concerninge serche of tanned lether within the sayd cytee of London, and other places expresse in the same acte, shall styll stand and abide in full strength and vertue, with all and singuler the provisions therunto annexed,

¶ And ouer that be it enacted, that all Mayres, Shyryffes, baylyffes, and other chiefe gouernours of other citees, boroughes, and towne corporate, and lordes of sayes and markets, within their libertes, franchises, iurisdiction, and auctorities, and euery of them, shall from hencefoorth haue power and auctorite, to name and appointe two suche of the crafte of cordwayners or coyers, or one of the one crafte, and an other of the other crafte, as they shall thinke moste conueniente and expert in the sayd ocupacions, to viewe and serche all tanned lether brought to be solde, to any markettes or sayes, kepte within any libertie, franchise, iurisdiction, or auctorities and to make serche therof trulye and due lye, wpyth out fauour, affection, or corrupcion. And where as none of the sayde two craftes be inhabited, that then it shall be lesull to the lordes, Mayres, or other officers, as is aforesayde, to electe and appoynte suche other of the kynges subiectes, as be moste experte in knowlage of tanned lether: And such as they shall fynde sufficiente, to put a marke or a poynte ther vnto

And that no person or personnes, shall put any tanned lether to sale, in any saye or market, before it be viewed, serched, and marked, vpon peine to lose and forsaite for euery hyde of tanned lether, put to sale contrarye to this acte .xxd.

And it is also enacted, that aswell the moyste of the sayde forsaeture, as the moyste of all forsaetures and penalties made or limited by any other statute or statutes, heretofore made for or concerning tanned lether shall be to the kyng our soueraigne lord: and the other moiste therof to be to the mayres, shyryffes, baylyffes, or other chiefe gouernours of such Cities boroughes, or towne corporate, and to the lordes of the sayes or markettes, or any other the kynges subiectes, within whose iurisdiction suche cause of forsaeture, or penaltie shall be founden, that is to saie, to suche of them as shall lease or sue for the same if they take their suite for suche forsaeture within fyve monethes nexte after suche forsaeture shall happen: And if they do not, than to be to suche of the kynges subiectes, that wyl sue for the same: And euery such person and personnes, as shall be intituled to haue such forsaeture shall haue an action of debt for the same. So that they commence and take their suite or action within halfe a yere nexte after the sayde .vi. monethes, by writte, bpll, plainte, or informacion, in whiche action or suite no wager of lawe, essoyne, protection, or pleye shall be allowed.

¶ And all be it that lether be well and sufficiently tanned, yet neuertheless the coyers, for their owne singuler lucre and aduantage, so corrupt:

the sayd lether, with water and other subtyll wayes and meanes, that it is very vnprofitable for the exercise of the kynges subiectes: It is therefore enacted, that euery corper, shall well and sufficiently cozie and blacke the sayde lether tanned, as well the lether of other, to hym broughte to be coried, as his owne lether, excersisinge in his sayde misterye of corieng talowe and such other thinges, as to and for the true and Just corieng of lether apperteyneth, without fraude or decept, and not craftly to bournne ne sparke the sayd lether, ne vse insufficient stufte of talowe or oyle, bypon payne to lose and forsaite for euery hyde or pece of lether, that any corper shall craftely, deceptfully, or insufficiently cozie contrary to this acte .iii. s. .iiii. d. The one halfe of which forsaite to be to the kyng our soueraigne lord, and the other halfe to such as shall fynde the defaulte. And such as shall be entytled to the sayd forsaite, shall haue an action of dette for the same by voytte, byll playnt, or informacion in any of the kynges courtes: In which action or suite none essoine, protection, priuilege, nor wager of lawe shalbe allowed or admitted.

And be it enacted, that the Iustices of the peace, in every shyre, cytee, and to wone corporate, within the limities of their commissions and auctorities, shall haue power and auctorite, to enquire, here and determine euery offence hereafter to be done or committed contrary to this acte, aswel by information as by presentment afore them, and to make such processe bypon euery presentmente, as they commonly do bypon inditeementes of trespas.

And to the intente that the sayde serchers shall geue their attendaunce and diligence in true execucion of this acte. Be it therfore enacted by auctorite afore sayd, that the sayde sercher or serchers from time to time, shall and may take for enery ten peeces of tanned lether, so by hym or thein serched, viewed, and marked, as is afore sayde, for his or theyr payne taken therein one peny, and no more. And that also euery of the sayd serchers for the skypende or fe before lymyted from tyme to tyme, byon lawfull request to him made, by any personne or personnes, hauinge tanned lether in open market or fayre to be solde, within the lymytes of the serchers, shall put to his or theyr prynt, seale, or marke, without contradiction or denpall, to euery such pece of lether sufficiently tanned, bypon payne to forsaite for euery defaulte by the sayd sercher or serchers so committed .iii. s. .iiii. d. The one moitee therof to be to the kyng our soueraigne lord, and the other to the party greued, that wyl sue for the same by byll, playnte, or informacion, in any competente courts of recorde. In which suite no wager of lawe, essoine, nor protection shalbe admitted nor allowed.

And provided alwaie that this acte, or any thinge therein conteyned, be not in anye wise hurtfull or prejudiciall to any lord or lordes, or any other hauyng libertee or libertees, sayres or markettes, or any of them, theyr heires or successours, of any of them, for or concerning any of the forsaiteuses expressed in this acte, whiche they or any of them lawfully hadde, or might haue.

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haue had afore the makinge of this present acte: this acte or any thinge in the same mentoned, to the contrarie notwithstanding.

¶ Provided alway that this act, or any thing therein conteyned, shall not in any wise be prejudiciall or hurtfull to the Chauncellerg, vichancellers, proctours, taters, and scholers, their officers and ministers, of the vniuersities of Oxforde and Cambridge, or any of them, of for or concerning the auctorite of serche of tanned leather, or any of the forsaitures of the same: which they lawfully hadde or mought haue had before the making of this present acte, any thinge therein conteyned to the contrary hereof notwithstanding.

An acte concerning the true dyeng of wollen clothe. Capi. ii.



Dyeng & commons in this present parliament assembled, that wher diuers persons, within this reame of England as well aliens as other, vsing the misterie or craft of dyers now of late haue vsed & exercised a falsse sleighty and deceyvable waie, in dyeng with brasell & such other lyke subtilties, first inuented & founde by aliens, borne out of this realme of England, to the greate hurte & sclaunder of wollen clothes dyed within this sayd Realme, whiche in times past haue in al outward partes bene noted to haue had the most substantiall coloured wollen clothes of al Realmes chystened. That it therfore may be enacted and established by the kyng our soueraygne lord, the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, by the auctorite of the same, that no maner of person or persons occupieng & sayd crafte of dyeng with in this realme of Englande, of what degre or nation so euer he, be from the feast of the natiuitee of our Lord God now next comminge, do take vpon him or them, to dye or altere, or cause to be dyed or altered any wollen clothe or clothes, as browne blew, peyke, tawny, or violet, or hattes or cappes excepte the same wollen clothes, hattes or cappes be perfectly dyed, grayned or maddered vpon the wode and shotte with good and sufficient coke or orball, after a due substantiall and sufficient meane of workmanship, accordinge to the olde workmanship, before time vsed: vpon payne of forseypture of .xl. s. for euery clothe, and .vi. s. for euery hatte or cappe so to be dyed or altered from the true workmanship, as is afore sayde.

¶ And for because that many men, occupieng the sayd seate of dyeng, falsly and vntruly do occupie Brasell in diuers and sondre colours, to the greate deceite, hurte and hinderaunce of the kinges liege people.

¶ Bee it therfore enacted and established, by the auctorite aforesayde, that no maner of personne or personnes, occupieng the sayde seate or

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occupacion of dienge of wollen cloth or clothes, shall occupie any brasell into or with any wollen clothe or clothes, hatte or cappe, within the sayde realme: and in the scarlet coloure occupie any other thing than graine only, vpon payne of forfaiture of foure shillinges & sterlyng, for euery clothe, and .iii. s. .iiii. d. for euery hatte or cappe made and dyed contrarye to the fourme, tenour, and effect of this present acte. And the thyrde parte of the forfaiture or value therof, to be to the kynge our soneaigne lord, and the other two partes therof to be equally denyded betwene the sayde person that shall be seylour or taker of the same, and the mayre, baylyffes, or other gouernours of the citee, towne, boroughe, or village where any such seasure shall fortune to be, to their owne vles.

¶ And that for the better reformation of the sayd vntrewedynge of clothes, hattes, and cappes: Be it enacted by the auctorite aforesayd, that it shall be lefull to the wardens of the mistre or crafte of Diers of euery citee, borough and towne corporate within this realme, where such wardens be, and to their successours, for the tyme beinge, and wher no suche wardens be, to the mayre, shryffes baylyffes, constables, and other the kynges head officers: of euery citee borough, towne, and village, and to their successours, to entre into all places pryueleged and other, where dyenge is bled within their lyberties, and within a myle compasse of euerye suche cytee, borough, towne and village, where any cloth, or clothes, hatte, or cappe, hattes or cappes is or shalbe put to dienge dyed, or altered into colour, as is aforesayd, there duely and trewlye to viewe, enquire, and serche, if any defaulte be done: had and made, contrary to the fourme, tenour and effecte of this present acte.

¶ And if any maner of personne or persons, dyer or other, withstande, refuse, or deny any such serche to be made, contrarye to the tenour of this present, acte, that than euery such person, so lettynge, refusing, withstandinge, or denyng any such serche to be made in anye house or houses, where dyenge is bled; at any tyme hereafter, shall forfait for euery tyme offending, contrarye to the fourme aforesayde, foure shillinges. The thyrde parte of the whiche forfaiture to be to the kynge our soneaigne lord, and the other two partes to be equally denyded betwene the shryff, shryffes, baylyff, and other officer of euerye suche cytee, boroughe, or towne, and other the kynges subiectes, whiche shall sue for the same, by action of dette, by writte at the common lawe by bill informacion, or plainte after the custome of the citee, boroughe, towne, or porte, where at anye tyme hereafter anye such serche, forfaitures, or penalties shall happen to fall or be: and that the defendaunt in any such case, shall not be admitted to wage his lawe, or any protection or eschym, for any defendaunt, be allowed in the same.

¶ Provided also, that euery such person and persons, as shall take any advantage of any forfaiture by reason of this acte, shal commence his

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suffit or action, for the sayd forfeiture, within one yere next after the same forfeiture, shall grow or be dewe by this acte.

¶ This acte to continue vnto the last day of the next parliament,

¶ An acte concernyng flesh to be solde
by weyght, Cap. iiii.



Complaineth to your most excellēt highnes your pooze subiectes of this your realme, that where al maner of vitales befoze this time hath bene solde to your sayd subiectes at prces conuenient, so that all your subiectes, and in especial the pooze persons might with their crafte or bodely labour by sufficiente for the necessitee and sustentacion of theym their wyues and childzen, but now gracious lord, all bytyle, and especially beoffe, mutton, porke, and beale, whiche is the common fedpyng of the meane & pooze prsons. are so solde at so excessiue pryce that your said neddy subiectes can no gain with their labour and salary sufficiente to pay for their conuenient bytyle and sustinaunce. For reformation wherof it may please your highnes, that it maye be enacted by your grace, and the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons in this presente parliament assembled, and by auctorite of the same, that euery person, whiche shall sell by him selfe or any other, the carcases of beoffes, porke, mutton, or beale, or any parte or parcell therof. after the fyrst day of August nowe nexte ensuyng, shall sell the same by lawfull weyght, called haberdepois and none otherwise, the sayde fleshe to be cutte out in reasonable peeces accordyng to the requeste of the byer, in lyke facion as befoze thys tyme hath bene vsed without fraude or couyn. And that euery person whiche by him selfe, or any other, shall sell any fleshe of the sayde carcases, shall haue with him, where he shall make sale of the sayd fleshe, sufficient beame scales, and weightes sealed, called haberdepois, for the true seruyng of the byers.

¶ And furthermore be it enacted by auctorite aforesayde, that after that day no personne nor personnes, take, nor cause to be taken, for any pound weyghte of fleshe, of the carcases of beoffe, or porke, by him or them to be sold, aboue the pryce of one halfe peny, nor for any pounde weight of fleshe of the carcases of mutton or beale, aboue the pryce of one halfe peny and halfe farthinge, without deceite or couyn: vpon payne to forfeit for euery pound not sold by weight, or aboue the sayd pryce limited, and for euery defaulte done contrary to the true meaning of this acte. iiii. s. iiii. d. The one moite therof to be to the kyng our soueraigne lord, & the other moite to the party, that wyll sue for the same by byll, pleinte, or informacion. In whiche sute none espyone, wager of lawe, nor protection shall be allowed.

¶ Couyned alway, that the heades, neckes, inwardes, purtynaunces, legges, nor feete, shall be counted no parte of the carcases aforesayde, but
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suche to be solde for a lower price.

¶ And furthermore be it enacted by auctorite aforesayde, that the Lord Chauncellour, Lord Tresourer, lord priue seale, and presydente of the kynges moste honorable counsaile, and the two chiefe Justices of eyther benche. or. v. iiii. or. iii. of them, shall haue full power and auctoritee, by thei discretions, at all tymes hereafter for causes conuenient, to minishe and abate the pyces aboue reherfed: but in no wyse to enhaunce the same.

And that all iustices of assises in their circuite, and all iustices of peace, or two of them at the leaste, within their limites, and all Mayres, Baylyffes, and other head officers of euery citee, borough, and towne corporate Aldermen, shiriffes elected, stewardes of franchises, the maires, baillyffes elected, and iurats of the portes, and all other personnes, hauing lafull auctoritee before the makynge of this present acte, to set price of fleshe, and euery of them in their limites: shall haue full power and auctoritee to sette a lower price of suche fleshe as is aboue remembred, and to enquire of such offenders, and to awarde lyke process agaynste them, and sette lyke fynes as they maye do in presentmentes, or inditeementes of ryot or trespass tryed before them.

¶ Provided alwayes that no calfe, aboue the age of viii. weekes old, be accounted for beale, but for beoffe, and so to be solde as is afove reherfed.

¶ Provided alwayes that where the carcales of anye beoffes, muttong, beale, and porke, within any partes or countreis of this realme, be bittered and solde better chepe, or after lesse pyces, than in this present act is lymitted: That this act or any thyng therein conteined shall not extend to anye such countrie or place, but that they shal and may sel at lyke pyces, & after suche rate, as they do and bled before the makynge of thys act, vpon payne as is afove reherfed, any thyng in the same contynued notwithstanding.

¶ Provided alwaye that suche person and persons, as now haue or that hereafter shall haue the auctoritee of clerke of the market, or to set pyce of vitayles within the towne and vniuersitees of Oxforde and Cambridge and none other, shall haue the onely power and auctoritee to execute thys present acte from tyme to tyme: within the sayd towne and vniuersitees, any thyng in thys present acte to the contrary notwithstanding.

¶ An acte concernynge sowynge of flaxe and hempe.

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He kynges hyghnes callynge to hys moste blessed remembrance the great numbze of ydle people dayly increasynge throughout thys hys realme, supposeth that one greatte cause therof is by the continuall bringyng into the same, the great nombze of wares and marchandysse, made and broughie out and from the parties of beyonde y Sea into this realme, redy wrought by manuall occupation: Amongste the whych wares, one kynde of marchandise

chandise in meruallous great quantitee, whiche is linnen clothe of diuers
 sortes, made in diuers countreys beyonde the sea, is dayly conuayed into
 this realme. whiche great quantitee of linnen clothes so broughe, is con-
 sumed and spente within the same: By reason wherof not onely the sayde
 straunge countreys, where the sayde linnen clothe is made by the pollicie
 and industrie of makynge and ventynge thereof, are greatiue enryched,
 and a meruaylous great number of their people, menne, women, and chil-
 dren set on worke and occupacion, and kepte from Idlenes, to the greate
 furtherance and aduancement of their common welth: but also contrary-
 wyse the inhabitauntes and subiectes of this realme, for lacke of lyke poli-
 cie and industrie a bouthe the inuenting, practisinge, and puttyng in
 exercise lyke occupacion, beyng compelled to bie all, or the moste parte of
 the sayd linnen cloth continually spent and consumed within this realme
 amountinge to inestimable sommes of money, in other regions and coun-
 treys. And also the people of this realme, as well men as women, whiche
 should and might be set on worke by exercisynge of lyke pollicie and craftes,
 of spinninge, weaupnge, and makynge of linnen clothe, lue nowe in idle-
 nesse and ociositee, to the high displeasure of almightie god, great dimin-
 ucion of the kynges people, and extreme ruine, decaye, and impouertyment
 of this realme.

¶ For refozmacion wherof the kynges roya ll maiestee, intendinge lyke a
 most vertuous prince, to prouide remedie in the premises, nothynge so
 muche couetyng as the encrease of the common wealthe of this his
 realme, with also the vertuous exercise of his moste louynge subiectes and
 people, and aduorde that moste abominable vice of Idlenes out of this
 realme: hath by the aduise and assente of his lordes spirituall and temp-
 orall, and the commons in this present parliamente assembled, and by auc-
 toritie of the same ordeined and enacted, that all maner persons, of what
 degree, estate, or condicion they be of hauing in theyr occupaciõ thre score
 acres of errable lande or pasture, or thre score acres of errable lande and
 pasture, being apt for tillage, shall yere for ever, after the feast of saynt
 Mychaell the Archaungell nexte commynge, at their propre costes and
 charges, till and sow, or cause to be tilled and sown in seasonable tyme
 one roode, that is to saie, the fourth parte of an acre of the lande, beyng
 in the occupacion, as is aforesayde, with line seede, other wyse called flaxe
 seede or hempe seede, or with both, the sayde roode to be sown in one place to-
 gether, or in seuerall places at their pleasure: And so from the sayd feast
 yere hal till and sow, or cause to be tilled and sown on roode for eue-
 ry fourtie acres, whiche he or they shall happen to haue in occupacion, as
 is aforesayde, without any fraude or couine, vppon payne to forsaye
 iii. s. iiii. peng, for euerye fortie acres, whiche any personne or personnes
 shall haue in occupacion, as is aforesayde, and not till and sow, or cause
 to be tilled and sown one roode, accordyng to this acte, in maner afoyme
 afoze reherced,

¶ And

¶ And it is also enacted, that al iustices of the peace in their sessions, and mayres, shyriffes, and bayliffes, in citis, boroughes, and towne corporate, in their sessions, or other courtis within the limitis of their commissions and auctorites, shall haue full power and auctoritee to enquire of the offenders in this acte, as wel by the othes of twelue men, as otherwise by information by their discretions.

¶ And if any person or persons be presented afore them, within the limitis of their auctorities, or any information giuen to them, of any offendour of this acte: that than they shall haue full power and auctoritee bypon euery suche presentment or information, to make proces agayne the offendours of this acte, lyke as is commonly vled bypon inditementes of trespass. And if any be presented, and afterwarde be conuicted by confessio or otherwyle, that he hath offended contrary to this acte, that then he shall be put to no lesse forsaiture then is aforesayd, to the vse of the kyng our soueraigne lord, if the offence be without citis, boroughes, or towne corporate. And if the offence be within any citee, borough, or towne corporate: then the sayde fine to be to the vse of the Mayres, shyriffes, or bayliffes of the sayd citee, borough or towne corporate, where the offence shall be presented. And if any be conuict by confession, or otherwyle by examination bypon any information made by any person or persons, agayne a nyie offendour or offendours of this acte: that than euerye suche person so conuict bypon any information, shall lose suche forsaiture as is aboue remembred, the one halfe thereof to the kyng our soueraigne lord, and the other halfe to such as shall make the information. And that for the leuieinge of euery such forsaiture, as well the Iustices of peace, as Mayres, Shyriffes, and bayliffes, within the limitis of their commissions and auctorities haue full power and auctoritee to make such proces as they shall seme by their discretions.

¶ Provided alwayes that none information at the suite of any person concerning this acte, shall be of any effecte, to put any persone to answer or losse of forsaiture, except the sayd information be exhibited within one pere next after the offence done contrary to this acte. For that any information or presentment for the kyng be of any effecte, to put any person to any answer or losse of any forsaiture, by vertue of this acte, except the sayd information or presentment for the kyng, be within ii. peres next after the offence done and committed contrary to this acte.

¶ Provided also that parkes for dere, woodes, groues, lowe groundes for medowes, felles, fenmes, salte marshes: heathes groundes, commonis, and such other like groundes, the nature wherof is not apt for tillage, nor any landes or pasture, which hath not bene put in tillage within the space of fiftie peres, shall not be accounted in nor of the number of acres, for the which any person shalbe bounde to tyll and sow any the seedes aforesayde by vertue of this acte: any thinge in this acte to the contrarye notwithstanding.

¶ And

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And it is farther ordered, that the acres shalbe accompted after the rate of .viii. scoze perches for the acre, and euery perche contaynynge .xvi. foote and a halfe of the rule, and not otherwile.

Prouided alway that this acte, or any thinge therein conteyned, extend not to suche landes as haue fortunied, or shall fortune to be plowed, tyllid or broken one, ii. or .iii. yerres together in .x. or .xii. yeaeres, or other longer season only for cleansing of the same from molle, molle hylles, busshes, or like thinge or for p[ro]se of the a[n]nes of the ground to bere coyne, and not vsed otherwile in tyme past in tyllage: so that in those yerres, that it shall fortune the sayd landes not afoze excepted to be so plowed, tyllid, or broken, the same order be obserued in sowinge the porcion therof with lyne or hempe, as is aforesayd. He also shall extende to any groundes inclosed, or to be inclosed wherin bere haue bene, be, or shalbe kepte by the kinges graunt, or otherwile, any thinge in this present acte made to the contrary not withstandinge.

And for as much as spirituall personnes, whiche dooe, or shall haue in their handes and occupation, landes for expences of their household, or for conuenientlye otherwyle take any p[ro]fite of suche flaxe or hempe, as growen vpon the same, onles by sale to other persons: Be it therfore further enacted, that it may be lawfull to all arch singular spirituall persons, haupnge in their handes and occupation any maner landes, for expences of their house holdes, nor prohibited by the lawe, to sell such flaxe & hempe, as shall growe vpon their landes, so beinge in their owne handes and occupation, as is aforesayd, any act, statute, or p[ro]uision made to the contrary not withstandinge.

This acte to continue to the laste daye of the next parliament.

An acte where a man killinge a theefe shall not forfeite his goodes. Cap.v.

For as much as it hath ben in question and ambiguites that if any euill disposed person or persons do attempt feloniouslye to robbe, or murder any person or persons, in or nygh any common high way, cartway horseway, or fote way, or in their mansion messuages, or dwelling places, or that felonously doo attempte to breake any dwelling house in the night tyme, should happen in his or their (beyng in their suche felonous intente) to bee slayne by him or theim or hom the said euill doers should so attempte to robbe or murder, or by any person or personus, beyng in their dwelling house, whiche the same euill doers shuld attempte burglarlye to bryke by night; if the sayd person, so happening in suche cases to slea any suche personne, so attemptinge to committe such murder or burglary, shoulde for the deathe of the sayd euill disposed person forfeite or lose his goodes, and cattalles for the

same, as any other persone should do, that by chaunce medely should happen to kille or slea any other persone in his or their defence. For the declaration of the whiche ambiguitie and doubt, be it enacted by þe kyng our soueraigne lord, with the assent of the lordes spirituall and tempozall and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by auctorite of the same, that if any person or persons, at any tyme hereafter be indicted or appealed of or for the death of any such euill disposed person or personnes, as temptyng to murder robbe, or burgularlye to breake mansion houses as is aboue sayd, that the person or persons so indicted or appealed therof and of the same by verdyte so founde and tryed: shall not forsaite or lose any landes tenementes, goodes, or cattalles, for the death of any such euill disposed person, in such maner slayne, but shalbe therof and for the same fullys acquitted and discharge d in the maner as the same person or persons shalbe, if he or they were lawfully acquitted of the death of the sayde euill disposed person or persons.

An acte concerning sale of wynges. Cal.



Because that diuers marchauntes, inhabytyng wiche in the cite of London, haue of late not only presumed to bargayne and sell in grosse to diuers of þe kynges subiected great quantities of wynges of Salcone, Gupon and frenche wynges, some for fyue pounde the Tunne, some for more, and some for lesse, and so after the rate of exesse pyces, contrary to the forme and effect of a good and laudable statute therof lately made in this present parliament, holden upon propogacion therof made, into the .xv. day of Januarie in the xiiii. yere of the kynges most noble raygne, that is to saye, contrary and aboue the prices therof sett by the right honorable, the lord Chancellor, lord, Treasourer, lord presidente of the kynges most honorable counsaile, Lord priuie seale, and the two chiefe Justices of either bench, wherby they be fallen into the penalties, limited by the sayde statute, as by de we proues therof made, by examinacons taken before the sayd lordes, and others of the kynges most honorable counsaile, is well knowen: but also hauinge in their handes and possessions great aboundaunce of wynges by them acquired and boughte to bee solde, obstinately and maliciously, and they sayde attemptes and defaults proued, haue refused to bargayne and sell to manye of the kynges subiectes, anye of theyr sayde wynges remaynyng and beeing in theyr handes, purposinge and myndyng thereby, for theyr owne singular and vnrasonable lucrees and profytes, to haue larger and higher prices of theyr sayd wynges to bee settie, accordyng to theyr insatiable appetites and mindes: It is therfore ordained, and enacted by auctorite of this present parliament, that eny marchaunte and other person, nowe hauyng, or whiche hereafter shall haue

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have wines to be solde, and refusing to sell or deliver, or not selling any of the sayd wynges for redy money therfore to be payde, according to the price or prices therof than being set, shall forfeite and lose the value of the wine so required to be bought.

¶ And furthermore be it enacted, that it shal be lausful to all and singuler Justices of peace, maiors, bayliffes, and other head officers & gouernours, in shires, citees, boroughes, and to wnes, and in other places of this realme within the precinctes, and linittes of their offices, from the last day of April, in the yere of our lord god, M.D.XXXIII. at the desire and request of anye of the kinges subiectes, to whom any denyer of sale, or from who any restrainte of sale of any suche wines, shall be made and full paymente therfore without delay offered to be made according to the prices, which at the time of such denier or restrainte of sale, be or shalbe sett by the lordes and Justices or hereafter to be set according to the sayd statute heretofore made, to enter into the howles, sellars, and other places, where suche wynges shall lie or be, and to sel and deliver the same wyne or wynges, desired to be bought, to the persone or persons requiringe or desyringe to bye the same. Takynge of the byar of the same wyne or wynges, so to be solde to the vse of satisfaction of the forsaite aforesayd, after the rate of the prices therof now being set, or hereafter to be set, as is aforesayde.

¶ Provided alwayes, that if at the tyme of any such sale of wyne purposed to be made, the Marchaunte & vntener, or other owner or owners thereof, dooe trowle, fullve, and manifestly declare and shewe to the sayde Justice of peace, Mayre, Baylyffe or other head officer, purposing to make the sayd sale, by vertue of this acte, what, and howe much quantitie and sortes of wynges he then shall haue, and asseyne and depose bypon his bodilys Othe, to bee made and geuen by the discrecion of the same Justice of peace, Mayre, Baylyffe, or other head officer, that he kepeth and receyvethe the same wynges to the intente onelye to drawe and expende the same in his house, by retayle, or other wyse, and not to sell the same wynges, nor anye of theim in grosse: that than the same marchaunt vntener or other owner shall kepe and retayne the same wynges, without anye sale thereof to be made in forme aboue wyrtten, and without any forsaite for refusal or restraynte of sale therof to be made in grosse, And in case that after suche othe so made, the same marchaunt vntener or other owner or owners, do sell the same wynges or any of them in grosse, that is to saye, by the Tonne, Butte, Tretes, Pype, Hoggelshed, Barrell, or Rordelette, he shall forfeite and lose the double value of all suche wynges so solde in grosse.

The one halfe therof, and of the other forsaite afove wyrtten, to be to the kyng our soueraygne lord, and the other halfe to the partie or person, that shall sue for the same by action of dette, bylle, pleynte, or informacion, in whiche sute none essoine, protection, or wager of lawe shall be had or allowed, Provided alwayes that this acte extende not to take effect in any shire of this realme, other then in the citee of London.

don: and within three myles compasse of the same, before the last daye of July, in the yere of our lord god aboue wyrtten: on lesse that in the meane time this statute be openlye proclaymed in some open saye or market with in the same shyre, where before the sayde laste daye of July, it shall happen to be put in execution.

CAn acte to continue and renue the acte agaynst
kyllynge of calves. Cap. vii.



Here in the sessions of this present parliament, begun at London, the thyrde daye of Nouembre, in the .xxi. yere of the reygne of our soueraygne lord the kynge, that now is, and from thence adioyned vnto westminster, to the fourth daye of the said moneth, there was a good and laudable ordinance act and prouision established, concluded, and enacted agaynst kyllynge of young suckyng calves, within certayne dayes in the same act limited, and to en-

sure for the space of thre hole yeres: whiche at the fyrste daye of Januarie last past, was ended, expired, and passed as in the same act more at large it doth appere. And for as much as it is now evidently and manifestly proued and perceyued, that great benefite and commoditie hath ensued vnto the common weale of this realme, by meane of the said act, and that much more were lyke to ensue, if the same myght estones for alonger season continue and be renewed: It is therfore ordeyned, established, and enacted, by the kynge our soueraygne lord, with the assent of the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, & by the auctoritee of the same, that no maner of person or persons, beyng bouchers or other, inhabytyng within this realme, wales, or the marches of the same, shall from the first daye of Januarie, next commynge, duringe two whole yeres, from thenceforth next ensuynge, kill or cause to be killed any maner yonge suckyng calfe or calves, to be solde or put to sale to any person or persons, hole or by retayle, whiche calfe or calves, hereafter to be killed, shall happen to fall or to be calued betwene the sayde fyrste daye of Januarie, and the first daye of Maye, in any of the sayd two whole yeres vpon paine of forfaiture of vi. s. viii. d. for euery calfe fallen or calued betwene the sayde dayes, and killed and put to sale contrarie to this acte, to be payde and forfayted by euery suche boucher or bouchers, or anye other person or personnes, which shall kill or cause to be killed and putte to sale anye suche calfe or calves so fallinge, and to be calued betwene the sayde fyrste daye of Januarie, and the sayde fyrste daye of Maye, duringe the sayd two whole yeres. The one halfe of euery such forfaiture to be to thuse of our sayd soueraygne lord the kynge, & the other halfe to the party that will sue

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due for the same, by byll action of debt, or information in any of the kynges courttes, wherin no wager of lawe, essoyne, nor protection shalbe allowed. Provided alwayes, that every lord marcher haue the forsaytes, profittes, and advantages only of every such offender and offenders ajoynte the puruepinge of this acte, within their seignories, liberties, and frauncheises to all.

Be it also enacted, by the auctoritee aforesayd, that the iustices of peace of every of the shires of this realme, within the limites of their commissions, shall haue full power and auctoritee by force and vertue of this act, at everie their generall sessions hereafter to be holden and kepte, to inquire, here, and determine the premises, as well by information and presentment, as by byll, or playnt, wherin no wager of lawe, essoyne, or protection for the defendante (as is aforesayd) shalbe admitted or allowed.

An acte where defendantes shall not recouer any costes. Cap. viii.

BECAUSE as well many recognitaunces, obligacions, indentures, and other specialles, as also many contractes heretofore haue ben taken and made betwene dyuers persons beyng of the kynges most honourable counsaile, and other his counsaillers, and by a betwene other persons, to the vse and behoofe of our sayd soueraygne lord the kyng for great sommes of money, the being to his grace due: And for his provision and other causes, for whiche dettes actions by lawes of this realme be to be commenced, and prosecuted to the kynges vse, by and in the name and names of the person or persons, to whom the sayde recognitaunces, obligacions and other specialties were made, or by those to whom the said contractes were made. Be it therefore ordeyned and enacted, by auctoritee of this present parliament that all be it that the playntiffe or plaintiffes, or he shalbe consulted in any what so euer action, sute, byll, or pleynee commenced or to be commenced, sued or to be sued, to the vse of our sayd soueraygne lord the kyng, his heires or successours, kynges of Englande, or that it shal happen any verdyct to passe agaynst any such playntiffe or plaintiffes in any action, sute, byll, plainte, sued or to be sued to the kynges vse: the defendantes or defendantes shall not recouer any costes agaynst any suche plaintiffe or plaintiffes, anye acte or statute made in this present parliament, or any other thynge to the contrary being in any wise not withstandinge.

An acte agaynst killing of yonge beastes called weynlinges. Cap. ix.



Here in the first session of this present parliament, begon at London, the thyrd day of Nouembre, in the .xxi. yere of the reigne of our most byddesoueraigne lord the kyng that now is, and from thens adioyned to westminster to the .iiii. daie of the same monethe, there was a good & profitable ordinance acte, and prouision made, concerning kyllynge of calves, right commodious for the publike weale of this realme, as by same more at large it doth appere. Which act was deuised to the intent that cal

ues ones wained, shuld as at y tyme was supposyd, not haue ben put to slaughter before they were of conuienient yeres, and mete for beoffe, wherby might haue growen the greater plenty of beoffes, & at meaner pyces within this realme, to the increase of the common weale of the same yet neuer theles diuers persons more regarding their priue lucre & singular profite and gayne, than the commō weale of y sayd realme, haue vsed sines the making of the sayd act, and yet do to kille yonge beastes, called waynlinges, steres, bollockes, & heifers, of one or two yeres olde or lytle more: by meane wherof a great parte of y benefite that els shuld haue folowed of the sayd acte, hath bene frustrate and voyde. It is therefore enacted ordeined and establisshed, by the kyng our soueraigne lord with the assent of the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by auctorite of the same, that no maner of person or persons, being bouchers or other, inhabityng within this realme, wales or marches of the same, shall fro the feast of the natiuite of saynt John Baptist next comynge, kille or cause to be killed any maner of weimylngs, bullocke, stere, or heifer being vnder the age of .ii. yeres, to the intent to make sale therof to any person or persons, holle or by retayle, vpon payne of .vi. s. viii. d. for euery of the sayd weimylnges, bullockes, steres, or heifers being vnder the age of .ii. yeres, killed and put to sale contrary to this acte to be payd and forsafted by euery such boucher and bouchers, and other, whiche shall kyll or cause to be killed and put to sale contrary to this act, any such weimylng, bullocke, stere, or heifer, vnder the age aforesayde, from & after the said feast of the Natiuite of saynt John the Baptist next ensuynge, as is aforesayd: The one halfe of euery suche forsafture to be to the vse of our sayde soueraigne lord the kyng, and the other halfe to the party that will sue for the same by bylle, action of dette, or informacion in any of the kinges courtis wherin no wager of lawe, essoyne, or protection shall be allowed.

Provided alwayes that euery lord marcher haue the forsaftes, profytes and aduantages onely of euery such offender and offendours agaynste the purueynge of this acte, within their regnyones, liberties, and franchisees ropall.

Be it also enacted, by the auctorite afoye, that the Justices of peace of euery

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euerye of the shyppes of this Realme, within the limittes of
fions. Shall haue full power and auctoritie by force and vertue of this acte
at euery of thei general sessions hereafter to be holden and kepte, to en-
quere, here, and determine the premisses, as well by informacion and pre-
sentment, as by bpll, or playnt, toherin no wages of lawe, esoyne, or protec-
tion for the defendantas is aforesayde, shalbe admitted or allowed.

¶ This acte to endure to the next parliament.

¶ An acte made to destroy choughes, crowses,
and rookes. Cap. x.



as muche as innumerable numbre of rookes, crowses,
and choughes, do daily bryde and increase throughout this
realme, which rookes, crowses, and choughes do perey de-
stroy, deuoure and consume a wonderfull and meruaylous
grat quantitee of corne and greine, of all kyndes, that is
to wit, as well in the sowing of the same corne and grayn
as also at the riping and kettelnyng of the same, and ouer that a meruay-
lous distruction and decay of the couerures of thatched houses, barnes,
reekes, stacks, and other such like, so that if the sayd crowses, rookes, &
choughes, should be suffered to bryde and continue as they haue ben in cer-
taine yeres past, they will vndoubtedly be the cause of the greate distruc-
tion and consumption of a great parte of the corne & grayn, whiche here-
after shalbe sown throughout this realme, to the great preiudice damage
and vndoing of the great nombre of all tillers, husbannes, and sowers of
the earth within the same. For remedie wherof, be it enacted, by the auc-
toritie of this present parliament, that euery person and persons, as wel spi-
ritual as temporell, hauing, keeping, holding & inhabiting in any manours
meases, landes, or tenementes in thei owne manurance and occupation,
if any estate of inheritance, or for terme of life, or for yeres, or at will, or by
copie of court roule, or other wyse in possession or vse, shall hereafter do &
cause to be done as muche as in him or them reasonably shall or maye bee
to kill and utterly destroye all maner of choughes, crowses, and rookes,
comminge, abidinge, bryedynge or hauntyng within or vpon anye the
sayd manours, meases, landes, or tenementes, whiche he or they shall in-
habite and dwell vpon, and haue in thei manurance and occupation as
is aforesayd, vpon payne of a greuous amercement, to be set and assessed
as hereafter shall be expressed: that is to saye, that if any offence be doone
contrary to this estatute by any person or persons, inhabited within the li-
mittes of the letes, lawedales, rapes, or courtbarous of any lordes, hauing
such courtes, that than vpon a presentment therof made before the steward
of suche letes, lawdayes, rapes, or courtes, the stewarde with two of the
presentours, by the steward and presentours to be named, shall sette
and set for euery defaute presented to be doone contrary to this act, suche
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amerciamente to them shall seeme reasonable and conuenient, after the quantitie of the offence, the sayd amerciament to be to the vse of the lord or lordes of the letes, lawdaies, rapes, or courtes, where the sayd offence shall be done and presented, to be leuied by distresse of the goodes and cattalles, of the offendour or offendours like as other amerciamentes for common annoyances presented in letys, hath been accustomed to be leuied.

¶ And if the offence be done contrary to this statute by any person or persons, which shall dwell and haue the manurance of and in such maners, meases, landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes, where vnto such letes, lawdaies, rapes, or courtes belongen, or by reason wherof any such courtes ben holden: that than vpon a presentment thereof had before the shryffes in their Turnes, or Iustices of peace in their sessions, the steward of the Turnes, with two of the presentours, to be chosen as is aforesayd, if the presentment be within the Turne, and the Iustices of peace, or two of them at the least, if the presentment be before them in their sessions, shall assesse and set the sayd amerciament, after the quantitie of the offence by their discretions, to be had and leuied to the vse of our soueraygne Lord the kynge by distresse, lyke as other amerciamentes be leuied vpon presentmentes of common annoyances.

¶ And further be it enacted, by the auctoritie aforesayd, that in every parische, towne ship, hamlet, borough, or village, within this realme, where there is at least ten householdes inhabited, the tenants and inhabitants thereof shall before the feast of Saint Michaell the archangell nexte, and so during ten yeres next ensuing the sayd feast, at their owne propre costes, charges, and expences, provide, make, or cause to be made one net, commonly called a nette to take choughes, crows, and rookes, with all thinges requisite or belongynge to the same. And the sayd nette, so made or caused to be made, shall kepe, preserve, & renue as often as shall neede: And with and after a sharpe made with chaffe, or other thing mete for that purpose shall laye or cause to be layde at such time or times in the yere as is conuenient for destruction of such choughes, rookes, and crows, and in such place and places, as shalbe thought expedient to take the sayd choughes, crows, and rookes, vpon payne to forfait ten shyllinges, the one moitie thereof to be to our soueraygne lord the kynge, and the other moitie to the Lord or Lordes of the same courtes, letes, lawdaies, or rapes, where any such nette shalbe lackynge, and not made and putte in execution, accordynge to this acte, to be leuied of the sayd tenants and inhabitants of the sayd parische, towne ship, hamlette, borough, or village where any such nette shalbe lackynge, and not putte to vie and execution, as is aforesayd. And that every such nette, with all thinges requisite there vnto shall one time in the yere at the least, be present in þe court baron, lete, rape, or lawday before the steward of the same courte lete rape, or lawday where vnto the sayd tenants & inhabitants shalbe bound

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bounden to sue and appere, to be vied, whether the same be sufficientl^y repayed or not, for the foresayde purpose: so that by the aduise of the steward, ternautes, and inhabitantes of the saide Courte baron, lete, rape or lawday, where any such nette shall be necessarie to be vied, a iure waye and ordenaunce may be deuised for the reparation, continuance, and putting in execution of the saide nette, at times and places conueniente as is aforesayd. And that such ordinaunces as shalbe deuised and made by the steward, ternautes, and inhabitantes of and within the sayd letis, lawdayes, rapes, and courtes, or by the moste parte of them, to and for the distruction of the sayd rookes, crows, and choughes, shall stande good and effectuell, and be put in due execution, accordinge to the tenour therof.

¶ And further be it enacted, by the auctoritie aforesayd, that as well such person and persones, as shall inhabite and haue in his manurance and occupation anie manours, meases, landes, tenementes, or other hereditamentes, wherunto any such letes, lawdayes, rapes, or courtes appertayneth, or by reason wherof any such courtes bene holden, as the ternautes and fermours, inhabiting and haringe in their manurance and occupation any meases, landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes, holden of such manours, meases, or other hereditamentes, where unto suche courtes, as is aforesayd, belongeth, shall yerely during the sayd tenne yeres at, suche daies, places and times, as by the steward of suche letis, lawdayes, rapes, or courtes shalbe appoynted, assemble them selfe together, to view, visite, and survey all the sayde manours, meases, landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes, where they or any of them shal happen to dwell or inhabyte, and be resident, and therupon shall agree and conclude, howe by what meanes it shalbe beste possible, to destroy all the yonge byede of the sayd choughes, crows, and rookes, for that yere, and the same assemble view, and visitacion shall make yerely, duringe the sayd tenne yeres, at most conuenient and apte time for the same; and shall put the same in due execution, so as the sayde yonge byede of choughes, crows, and rookes, may be viterly destroyed: vpon payne to forfait for euery yere omittinge such assemble, endeuyre and viue makinge, accordinge to this act. xx. s. after presentment of suche default hadde before the kynges Iustices of peace: The one half of which forfaiture to be to the kyng our soueraigne lord, and the other halfe to be to the presentours of the sayde offence, to be leued by discreete, like as amerciamentes for common wrongalunses haue ben accustomed to be leued.

¶ And further be it enacted, by the auctoritie aforesayd, that as well the Iustices of peace in their sessions, and shyreffes in their Turnes, as stewardes, waytes, and bayliffes elected, in their letis lawdayes, rapes & Courtebarons, to be hereafter holden before them or any of them, shal giue in charge to the ternautes and inhabitantes, and all other apertynge befoze any of them, that they shall duly inquire and putte in execution the effecte

effect of the premisses in due time, so that this act may be fully and truly executed, and the choughes, crows and, rookes, thereby destroyed in all places of this realme, according to the meaning & true intent of this estatute, And over this it is enacted, that it shalbe lawfull to euery persone and personnes onely myndinge and willinge to take and destroy the sayd crows, rookes or choughes, after request therof made unto the owner or occupier of the same ground, where suche crows, rookes, or choughes, haunt or byede, to entre, take, and carie awaye all such rookes, or choughes and crows, as he shall take that same daye, in which such request shalbe made from time to time, without let, impedimēt, or impeachment by any maner meane of the sayd owner or occupier of the same.

And it is further enacted, that euery farmour or owner, hauinge in his owne manurance and occupation, any manours, meales, landes, tenementes, or other hereditamentes, wherof the yerely value or rent amonterh to v. li. shall pay and geue to euery suche person, whiche by his diligence, labour, and industrie, at his owne proppr costes, doth take any olde crows, rookes, or choughes, within and vpon the sayd manours, meales, landes or groundes of the yerely value aforesayde. ii. d. for euery. xii. olde crows, rookes, or choughes, that anye suche persons shall take, bunge, and offre to any such fermour or owner: And for euery. vi. olde crows, rookes, or choughes, a peny, for euery. iii. olde, a halfe peny. And if any such owner or fermour refuse to paye the sayde money accordyng, as is aforesayde, than vpon complaynte and profe therof made to any of the Iustices of peace, or high constable, the sayd Justice of peace or high constable, shal cause the sayd money to be leuied by distress of the goods and cattalles of euery such fermour or occupier, refusing to pay the sayd money accordyng to the tenour and effecte of this acte.

Wherby it is provided alwaies that no person or persons, by colour or auctorite of this acte, shall take or kill any doves or pygeons, vpon the payne limited by the lawes and customes of this realme heretofore for suche offences used and accustomed.

An act for paving of the high way betwene the Stronde crosse and Charynge crosse. Cap. xi.



A most humble wise shew and besech your highnes your poore subiectes, the inhabitantes dwelling in the parishes of sainte Martine in the feeble next Charynge crosse our Ladie at Stronde, and saynt Clement Dones with our Temple barr of London in your countie of Middlesex that where the common highe way, betwene Charynge crosse aforesayde, and the Stronde crosse, is verie noyous and foule, and in many places therof verie trepous to all your luges people, that waies passyng and repassyng, as wye or horsebacke as on foote, bothe in

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in winter and in summer, by night and by day. The very occasion wherof hath bene and petis, that the landlozdes and owners of all the landes and tenementes next adioyninge on both sides of the sayd common highway, have ben remisse and negligent, and also refuse and will not make and suppozte the laide highe waye with payynge, every of them after the portion of his grounde adioynynge to the same high wayes.

And for as much mozte gracious soueraigne lord as the sayd highe way, hath ben of continuance greatly occupied, as well with your subiectes and with their cartes and cariages, repaying, to and from your cite of London, from diuers parties of this your realme, as with your subiectes passing and repassing to and from the towne of Westmynster, aboute the nedes of your lawes, there kepte in the terme season: whiche way if it were sufficiently paved and made after the maner of the pavement of the strete betwene the sayd Strand crosse and temple barre, it shoulde not onlie than be a greaie comfort to all your subiectes there aboutes dwellinge but also to all other your liege people, that waies passing and repassing. Please it therfore your highnes, of your most aboundant grace, that with thallent of your highnes, and the lordes spiritual and temporall, and the commons in this your present parliament assembled, and by auctoritee of the same, that it be enacted, ordeyned, and established, that all and everye person and persons, their heyres and successours, the which now be or at any tyme from henceforth shalbe seased in possesse, or in use of any manour, landes, or tenementes in any wise adioyninge to the sayd high wayes, betwene the sayd Strand crosse and Charch crosse, be it on the one syde of the same waye or on the other, of any estate of fee simple, fee taylor, or for terme of lyfe, shalbe before the feast of sainte Michael tharchangell, the which shalbe in the yere of our lord god. 33. sufficiently paved or cause to be paved with paving stone, the sayde high waye alonge from his or their landes or tenementes. adioyninge to the sayd high way unto the myddest of the same waye, in such and like forme, as the high strete betwene Temple barre and Strand crosse aforesayde, is paved, upon payne to forsayte to your highnes, your heyres, and successours, for every yerde square, not sufficiently paved by the sayd day limited and assigned, in fourme before expessed. bi. d.

And be it enacted by the auctoritee aforesayde, that all and everye person and persons, having any of the sayde landes and tenementes in possession or in use, in fee simple, fee taylor, or for terme of lyfe, adioyninge to the sayd highe way, their heyres and successours, shall from and after the sayde feast of sainte Michael, the which shalbe in the sayde yere of our lord god. 33. sufficiently maptayne the pavement of the sayde waye agaynst every of their landes or tenementes, in such and like forme, as is above declared, upon payne to forsayte to your highnes for every yerde square of the sayd pavement, not sufficiently paved, repaired and amended, as often as any such default of any person shalbe present-

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ted before your Justices of the pleas, before your highnes to be holden. **And** that it be further enacted by the auctoritie aforesayd, that your said Justices, for the tyme bringe, may haue full power and auctoritee to enquire in euery terme to be holden after the sayde feast of sainte Michael the which shall be in the sayd yere of our lord god. **Item** by the othe of xii. men of the sayde countie, as well of them that haue not paied, accordyng to the promission aforesaide, as also of them that remedy or insufficiencye shall here after maynteyne the same payement accordyng to the said p^{re}sent. **And** that the said Justices may haue power and auctoritee after suche defaulte before them presented, to make proces by distress or other wise by th^{er} discretion, against the saide offenders, their heires, and successours, as well for making, repayyng, and amending of the said highway, as for the sayd penaltie so forsaite.

An act that appeales in such cases as hath ben used to be pursued to the See of Rome, shall not be from henceforth had ne used, but within this realme. **Ca. xii.**



Here by diuers sondre olde autentike histories, and cronicles it is manifestlie declared & expressed, that this realme of Englad is an Empire, and so hath ben accepted in the worlde, governed by one supreme head and king hauing the dignite and royal estate of thimperial crowne of the same: Unto whom abodie politike, compacte of all sortes & degrees of people, deuided in termes & by names of spiritualtie and temporallie, ben bounden & owne to beare next to god, a naturall and humble obedience. He being also instructed and furnished, by the goodnes & sufferance of a mightie god, with plenarie, whole, and entier power, preminence, auctoritie, prerogative, and iurisdiction, to render and geue Justice and final determination to al manner of solbe ressautes or subiects within this his realme, in all causes, matters, debates, and contentions, happening to occur, arise, or begin within the limites therof, without exception or prohibition to any forein princes or potentates of the worlde: The body spiritual wherof hauing power whan any cause of the lawe deuine happened to come in question, or of spiritual learninge, that it was declared, interpreted, and decreed by that parte of the saide bodie politike, called the spiritualtie now beinge usuallye called the Englishe church, whiche alwaies hath bene reputed, and also sounde of that sorte, that bothe for knowledge, integritie, and sufficiencie of number, it hath benne alwayes thought, and is also at this houre, sufficient and mete of it selfe, without the intermeddyng of anye, exterie person or persones, to declare and determine al suche doubtes, and to administer al suche offices and duties, as to their roumes spiritual doth apperteyne. For the due administration wherof, and to kepe them from corruption and sinister affection, the

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kynges moſte noble progenitours, and the antecellours of the nobles of this realme, haue ſufficientlie endowed the ſayd church, both with honoz and poſſeſſions. And the lawes tempoꝛal, foꝛ tryal of propertie of landes and goodes, and foꝛ the conſeruacion of the people of this Realme in vni- tie and peace, without rauyn oꝛ ſpoyl, was a yet is adminiſtred adſudged and executed by ſundry iudges and miniſters of the other part of the ſayd bodie polytyke, called the Tempoꝛalrie: And bothe they auctoritees and iuriſdictions do conioyn together in the due adminiſtracion of Juſtice, the one to helpe the other,

And where as the kyng his moſte noble progenitours, and the noby- lytie and commons of thys ſayde Realme, at diuers and ſondrye parlia- mentes, as well in the tyme of kyng Edward the firſte, Edward the thurde, Richard the ſeconde, Henrie the fourth, and other noble kynges of this realme, made ſundrye ordinaunces, lawes, ſtatutes, and pꝛouiſions foꝛ the entiere and ſure conſeruacion of the pꝛerogatiues, liberties, and pꝛe- eminences of the ſaide imperiall crowne of this Realme, and of the iuriſ- dictions ſpirituall and tempoꝛall of the ſame, to kepe it from the annoy- aunce as well of the See of Rome, as from the auctoritie of other foꝛeyne potentates, atteimptynge the diminucion oꝛ violacion thereof, as often, and from tyme to tyme, as any ſuche annoyauce oꝛ attempt mighte be knowne oꝛ eſped. And not withſtanding the ſayde good ſtatutes and ordynauces made in the tyme of the kynges moſte noble progenitours, in pꝛeſeruati- on of the auctoritie and pꝛerogatiue of the ſayde imperiall crowne, as is afore ſayde: yet neuer the leſſe ſythen the makinge of the ſayde good ſtatutes and ordynauces, diuers and ſundrye inconueniencies and daungiers, not pꝛouided foꝛ playnely, by the ſayde ſomer actes, ſtatutes, and ordy- nauces, haue ryſen and ſpronge, by realon of appeales ſued out of thys Realme to the See of Rome, in cauſes teſtamentarye, cauſes of ma- trimonye, and deuorces, righte of tythes, oblations, and obventions, not onely to the greate inquietacion, veracion, trouble, coſtes and charges of the kynges highneſſe, and manye of his ſubiectes and reſauntres in this his realme, but alſo to the greate delaye and let to the true and ſpedye de- termination of the ſayde cauſes; foꝛ ſo muche as the parties, appelynge to the ſayde courte of Rome, moſte commonlye doo the ſame foꝛ the delaye of Juſtice. And foꝛ as muche as the great dyſtance of waie is ſo farre off of this realme, ſo that the neceſſarye pꝛoues, noꝛ the true knowledge of the cauſe, can neyther there be ſo well knowne, ne the witneſſes ther ſo wel ex- amined, as within this realme, ſo that the parties greiued by meanes of the ſayd appeles, be moſte tynes without remedy. In conſideracion wher- of, the kynges highneſſe, his nobles, and commons conſideringe the greate, enoumities, daungiers, longe delayes, and hurtes, that as well to his high- neſſe, as to his ſayde nobles, ſubiectes, commons, and reſauntres of this his realme, in the ſaide cauſes teſtamentarye, cauſes of matrimonye, & de- uorces,

wyses, tithes, oblations, and obventions, do dayly ensue. Dothe therefore by his riall assente, and by the assente of the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by auctorite of the same enacte, establishe, and ordeyne, that all causes testamencie, causes of matrimonie, and deuorces, rightes of tythes, oblations, and obventions (the knowledg wherof by the goodnesse of princes of this realme, and by the lawes and customes of the same apperteyneth to the spirituall iurisdiction of this realme) all redye commenced, moud, dependinge, beyng happenynge, or hereafter comynge in contention, debate, or question within this realme, or within any the kynges dominions or marches of the same, or els where, whether they concerne the spage our soueraygne lord, his heires or successors, or any other subiectes or ressautes within the same, of what degree so euer they be, shal be from henceforth had, examined, dyscussed, clerely, finallye and diffinitely aduodged and determined within the kynges iurisdiction and auctorite, and not els where, in suche courttes spirituall and temporall of the same, as the natures, conditions, and qualites of the cases and matters aforesayde in contention, or hereafter happenynge in contention, shall requyre, without haunge any respecte to any custome, vse, or sufferaunce, in hinderaunce, let, or prejudice of the same, or to any other thynge used or suffered to the contrarye thereof by any other maner person or persons in any maner of wyse. Any foryne inhibitions, appeales, sentences, summonis, citations, suspensions, interdictions, excommunicacions, restrayntes, iudgementes, or anye other proces, or impedimentes, of what natures, names, qualites, or conditions, so euer they be from the see of Rome, or any other foryne courttes, or potentates of the worlde, or from any out of this realme, or anye other the kynges dominions, or marches of the same, to the see of Rome, or to anye other foryne courttes, or potentates, to the let or impediment thereof, in anye wyse not withstandynge.

And that it shall be lawfull to the kyng our soueraygne lord, and to his heires and successors, and to all other subiectes or ressautes within this realme, or within any the kynges dominions, or marches of the same, not withstandynge, that hereafter it should happen any excommungement, excommunicacions, interdictions, citations, or any other censures, or foryne proces out of any outwarde partes, to be fulminate, prouolged, declared, or put in execution within this sayde Realme, or any other place or places, for any of the causes before rehearsed, in prejudice, derogation, or contempte of this sayde acte, and the verye true meanyng and execution thereof, maye and shall neuerthelesse as well proue, execute, haue, and enjoy the effectes, profytes, benefytes, and commodities of all suche proceses, sentences, iudgementes and determinacions, doone, or hereafter to be doone in anye of the sayde courttes spirituall or temporall, as the cases shall requyre, within the limites, power and auctorite of this the kynges sayd

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sa yde realme and dominions, and marches of the same: and those onelye and none other to take place and to be firmly obserued and obeyed with in the same, as also that all the spirituall prelates, pastours, ministers, and curates within thys realme and dominions of the same, shall and maye vse, minister, execute, and do, or cause to be vled, ministred, executed and done al sacramentes, sacramentalles, diuine seruyces, and all other thyngs within the sayde realme and dominions, vnto all the subiectes of the same as catholyke and chysten men owen to do, any former citacions, processe, inhibicions, suspensions, interdiction, excommunicacions, or appeales, for or to wchinge any of the causes aforesayd, from or to the See of Rome or any other foreine prince or foreyne courtes, to the lette or contrary thereof in any wyse nor withstandinge.

¶ And if any of the sayde spirituall persones, by the occasion of the sayde fulminacions of anye of the same interdictions, censures, inhibicions, excommunicacions, appeales, suspensions, sommons, or other forayne citacions, for the causes before sayde, or for any of them, do at any tyme hereafter refuse to minister, or to cause to be ministred the sayde sacramentes, and sacramentalles, and other deuine seruyces, in forme as is aforesayd, shall for euery such tyme or tymes, that they or any of them do refuse, so to do, or to cause to be done, haue one yerres imprisonment, and to make fyne and raunsome at the kynges pleasure.

And it is further enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that if anye personne or persones inhabytyng or resyaunte within this realme, or within any the kynges dominions, or marches of the same or any other personne or personnes, of what estate, condicion, or degree so euer he or they bee, at any tyme hereafter, for or in any the causes aforesayde, do attempte, moue purchase, or procure, from or to the See of Rome, or from or to any other foreyne Courte or Courtes, out of this realme, any maner foreyne proces, inhibicions, appeales, sentences, sommons, citacions, suspensions, interdictions, excommunicacions, restreintes, or iudgements, of what nature kynde, or qualitie so euer they be, or execute any of the same proces, or doe anye acte or actes, to the lette, impedimente hinderance or derogacion of anye proces, sentence, iudgemente, or Determinacion, hadde, made, done or hereafter to bee hadde, done, or made in any courtes of thys realme, of the kynges sayde, dominions or marches of the same, for anye of the causes aforesayde contrarie to the true meanynge of thys presente acte, and the execution of the same: that than euerye suche personne or personnes, so doyng and theyr fauourers, comforters, abettours, procurers, executors, and counsaillours, and euerye of them, beynge, conuylte of the same, for euerye suche defaute shall incurre and renne in the same peynes, penalties, and forsaityres ordeyned and prouided by the statute of prouision, and premonition, made in the .xvi. yeres of the reygne of the ryghte noble prince kyng Rycharde the seconde, agaynst suche as attempte procure or make prouision to the See of Rome: or els where, for anye thinge

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or thynges, to the derogacion, or contrarie to the prerogative or iurisdiction of the crowne and dignitee of this realme.

And furthermore in eschewynge the sayde greatte enormitees, inquisitions, delapes, charges, and expences hereafter to be susteyned in pursuyng of suche appeles and forcyne processe, for and concernynge the causes aforesayde, or anye of them, do therfore by auctoritee aforesayd, ordeyne and enacte, that in suche cases, where heretofore any of the kynges subiectes and resiautes, have vsed to pursue, prouoke, or procure anye appele to the See of Rome, and in all other cases of appeles, in or for any of the causes aforesayde, they make and shall from henceforth take, have, and vse their appeles within this realme, and not elles where, in maner and forme as here after ensueth, and not otherwyse, that is to saye. First from the archedeacon, or his offycr all if the matter or cause be there begune to the bysshoppe diocesan of the sayde See if in case anye of the parties be greued. And in lyke wyse if it be commenred before the byshop diocesan, or his commissarie, from the byshop diocesan, or his commissarye, within fyfene dayes nexte ensuyng the iudgemente or sentence thereof there yoven, to the archebysshoppe of the prouynce of Caunterburpe, if it be within his prouynce, and if it be within the prouynce of yorke, than to the archebyshopp of yorke, and so lykewyse to all other archebyschoppes, in other the kynges dominions, as the case by the order of iustice shall requyre, and there to be diffinitively and fynally ordered, decreed, and adiudged, accordynge to Justice, without any other appellacion or prouocacion to any other person or personnes, courte or courtes. And if the matter or contention for any of the causes aforesayde, be or shall be commenred by any of the kynges subiectes or resiautes, before the archedeacon of any archebysshoppe or his commissarie, than the partie greued, shall or maye take his appele within xv. dayes nexte after iudgemente or sentence there yoven, to the courte of the Arches or audience of the same, Archebysshoppe or bysshoppes, and from the sayde Courte of the Arches or audience wythin fyfene dayes than nexte ensuyng, after iudgemente or sentence there gyuen, to the archebyshopp of the same prouynce, there to be byffynitively and fynallye determyned without any other or fether proces or appele there bypon to be had or vsed.

And it is further enacted by the auctoritee aforesayde, that all and euery matter, cause, and contention nowe dependynge, or that hereafter shalbe commenred by any of the kynges subiectes or resiautes, for any of the causes aforesayde, before any of the sayde archebyschoppes, that than the same matter or matters, contention or contentions, shalbe before the same archebyshopp, where the sayde matter cause or proces shalbe so commenred, diffinitively determined, decreed, or adiudged, without any other appeale, prouocacion, or any other forcyne processe out of this realme, to be sued to the lette or derogacion of the sayde iudgemente, sentence, or decree, other, wyse than is by this acte limited apointed. Saninge alwaies the prerogative.

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vogattue of the archebyschop and churche of Caunterburp, in all the foresaid cases of appeales, to hym and to his successours to be sued within this realme, in such and like wise as they haue ben accustomed and vled to haue heretofore. And in case any cause, matter, or contention, now depending for the causes before rehearsed, or any of them, or that hereafter shal come in contention for any of the same causes, in any of the foresaid courtes, which hath, dothe, shall, or may touche the kyng, his heires, or successours kinges of this realme: that in all and every such case or cases, the partie greued, as before is sayd, shall or may appele from any of the saide courtes of this realme, wher the sayd matter now beynge in contention, or hereafter shal come in contention, touching the kyng, his heires, or successours (as is aforesayde) shall happen to be ventilate commenfed, or begun to the spiritual lates and other abbottes and priours of the vpper house, assembled and conuocat by the kynges wytte in the conuocation being or next insuyng, within the prouince or prouinces, where the same matter of contention, is or shalbe begun. So that every such appeale taken by the partie greued, within .xv. daies next after the iudgement or sentence ther byd yuen or be youen. And that what so ever be done or shalbe done, and affirmed, determined, decreed, and adiuaged by the foresaid prelates, abbottes and priours of the vpper house of the sayd conuocation, as is aforesayde apperteynyng, concernyng, or belonging to the kyng, his heires, a successours, in any of these foresayde causes of appeales: shall stande and be taken for a final decree, sentence, iudgement, diffinition, and determination, and the same matter so determined, neuer after to come in question or debate, to be examined to any other court or courtes. And if it shal happen any person or persons hereafter to pursue or prouoke any appeale, contrary to the effect of this acte, or refuse to obey, execute, and obserue all thinges comprised within the same, concernyng the sayd appeales, prouocations and other foreyn processe to be sued out of this realme for any the causes aforesayd that then every such person or persons, so doing, refusinge, or offending contrary to the true meaning of this acte, their procurers, fauours aduocates, counsaylours, and abbettours, and every of them, shall incur into the paynes, forfeitures, and penalties ordeined and provided in the sayd statute made in the sayd .xvi. yere of kyng Richard the second, and with like processe to be made agaynst the saide offendours, as in the same statute made the sayde .xvi. yere more playnly appereth.

An acte for reformation of exesse in apparayle. Cap. xiii.



Here before this time diuers lawes, ordinaunces, and statutes haue ben with greute deliberacion and aduise prouyded established and deuised for the necessarie repressyng and vndyng, and expellyng of the inordinate exesse daily more and more vled in the sumtuons and costlye aray and apparell,

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accusto.

accrifoably woyme in this realme: wherof hath ensued a dayly do chance
 such sondre, hygh, & notable inconueniences, as be to the great, manifest;
 & notorious Detriment of the comon weale, the subuersion of good and po-
 lytyke order in knowledge and distinction of people, accordynge to theyr
 estates, preminences, dignitees and degrees, and to the utter impouerish-
 mente and vndoinge of many inerperte and lighte personnes, inclined to
 pryde, mother of al vyces. whiche good lawes not withstandinge, the
 outragious excessse therein is rather from tyme to tyme increased, than dy-
 minished, eyther by occasion of the peruerse and froward maners and v-
 sage of the people, or for that errorrs and abuses once rooted and taken in
 to long custome, be not easily and at once without some moderacion for a
 tyme relinquished and reformed. In consideration wherof, and for a re-
 sonable order and remedy lyke to be obserued, performed, and continually
 kept, It is by the kynges highnesse, the lordes spirituall and tempozall, &
 the comunos in this presente parliament assembled, & by auctoritee of the
 same enacted, established, and ordeyned, in maner and fourme folowing.

Fyfte that no person or persons, of what estate, dignitee degree or con-
 dition so euer they be, from the feast of the Purificacio of our lady which
 shall be in the yeare of our lord. M. D. xxviii. vse or weare in any maner
 their apparayle, or vpon theyr horse, mule, or other beaste, any sylke of the
 colour of purple, ne any clothe of golde of tisse, but onely the kyng, the
 queene, the kynges mother, the kynges children, the kynges byethern, and
 sisters, and the kynges vncles and auncles, excepte that it shall be lesful to
 all dukes and marquises to weare and vse in their dubletttes and sleueles
 cotes, cloth of golde of tisse, and in none other their garmentes. So
 the same to be woyme by such dukes and marquises, excede not the pryce of
 vii. li. the yarde. Provided that this woide purple extend not to any man-
 tell of the order of the Garter.

And that no man, vnder the state of an erle, from the same feast, vse or
 weare in his apparell of his body, or vpon his horse, mule, or other beaste,
 or harneis of the same beaste, any clothe of golde or syluer, or of tinsel
 ten, or any other sylke or cloth myxed or embroudered with golde or syluer
 nor also any furre of Sables: except that it shalbe lesful for viscountes the
 pynour of saynete Johns Hierusalem, within this realme, and barons to
 weare in their dubletttes or sleueles cottes, clothe of golde syluer or tinsel.

Also it is enacted, that no man vnder the estate of a duke, marquis, erle
 and their chyldren, or vnder the degree of a baron, oneles he be a knight,
 that is companion of the Garter, from the sayd feast weare in any parte
 of his apparell anye wollen clothe made out of this realme of Englande,
 Ireland, Wales, Caleys, Berwyke, or the marches of the same, except in
 bonetes onely: He also weare in any maner apparale of his body: or on his
 horse, mule, or other beaste, or harneis of the same beaste, any veluet of the
 colours of crimelin, scarlet, or blew, ne any furre of blacke Fenettes or
 justins, ne any maner embroydery. And that no manne, onelesse he be a
 knight

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knight, after the sayd feast weare any coler of golde named a coler of *S.* and that no man vnder the degree of a barons sonne, or of a knight, except he may expende yerely in landes or tenementes, rentes, fees or annuites to his owne vse, for terme of his life, or for terme of an other mans lyfe, or in the right of his wife, two hundred poundes ouer all charges, shall after the sayd feast, vse or weare any cheyne of golde, bracelet, ouches, or other ornament of golde, in any part of his or their apparaile, or the apparaile of his or their horse inule, or other beaste, excepte euery such cheyne Jewell, ouches or ornament, be in weight one vnce of fine golde, or aboue except ringes of golde to be woyn on their fingers, with stones or without. He also shall weare any maner of beluet in their gownes, cotes with sleues, or other vttermoost garmentes, nor any furies of libardes, nor also shall weare any maner embroidery, picking or printing with golde, silver, or other silke in any parte of their apparaile, or on their horses, inules or other beastes.

¶ And that no man, vnder the sayd estates and degrees, other then suche as maie dispende in landes, and tenementes, rentes, fees, or annuites, as is aforesaide, a hundred poundes by yere, ouer all charges, shall after the sayd feast weare anye latten, damaske, silke, chamblet, or tassata, in his gowne, cote with sleues, or other vttermoost apparaile or garment, nor any maner of beluet, othertwise than in sleueles iackets, doublets, coifes, partlettes, or pourfes: nor also shall weare any furre, wherof the lyke kinde groweth not within this realme of Englande, Irelande, Wales, Calys, Berwyke, or the marches of the same: except fopynes, genetys, called gray genettes, and Bogy.

¶ And that no man, vnder the sayd degrees other than the sonne and heyre apparant of a knight, or the sonne and heyre apparant of a man of three hundred markes by yere, ouer all charges, a such other men as may dispende in landes and tenementes, rentes, fees, annuites, or other yerely profits, as is aforesayde, xl. li. by yere, ouer all charges, from the said feast weare in their gownes, or any other their vttermoost apparaile, any chamblet, or silke. He also weare in any other part of their apparaile, any silke, other than latten, damaske, tassata, or sarcenet in their doublets, and sarcenet, chamblet, or tassata in lininge of their gownes, and the same, or beluet in their sleuelle cotes, iackettes, ierkyngs, coifes, cappes, purses, or partlettes, the colours of skarlet, crimelin, and blew alwaies except. nor shall weare any furre of fopnes or genettes, called gray genettes, nor any other furies, wherof the lyke kinde is not growen within this realme of Englande, Irelande, Wales, Calys, Berwyke, or the marches of the same, excepte before excepte. He shall weare any maner aglettes, buttous, broches of golde or silver gilte, or counterfainte gilte, or made with any other deuise of any weight: nor shall weare any cheyne of golde of lesse weighte and value than ten vnces of Troy weight of fine golde.

¶ And that no man, vnder the sayd degrees, other than suche gentill men

men, as may dispende in landes, tenementes, rentes, fees, or annuities as is aforesayde, xx. poundes by yere, ouer all charges, from and after the said feast, weare any manner of silke, in any apparayle of his bodie or of his horse, mule, or other beast, except it be laken, taffata, scarenet, or damaske in his doublet or cospse, and chamlet in his sleuelesse iackets, and a lace of sylke for his bonet, or poyntes, laces, girdels, or garters made or wrought in Englande, or wales: Nor shall wear any furre of blacke Conie or Bogy.

¶ And that no man vnder the said degrees, other than such as maye dispende in landes and tenementes, rentes, fees, or annuities, as is aforesaide fine poundes by yere ouer all charges, from and after the said feast, weare any manner of clothe of the colours of scarlet, crimosen, or violet engrayned, nor any silke in their doublettes, or iackettes, nor any other cloth in any garment aboue the price of fixe shillings. viii. pence the bryde yerde nor any other thing made out of this realme, except chamlet in their doublettes and iackettes.

¶ And that no seruinge man, nor other yoman, takinge wages, or such other, as he maye not dispende of freeholde forte shillings by yere after the sayde feast shall weare any clothe in his hoses, aboue the price of twoo shillings the yerde; and that none of theyr hoses bee garded or mixed with any other thinge, that may be seene on or through the vpper parte of theyr hosen, but with the selfe same clothe onely: nor in his gowne, cote, or iackette, or other garmente, anye clothe aboue the price of thre shillings foure pence the bryde yerde, excepte it be his maisters liverye, nor any manner furre, except cony, called gray cony, blacke lambe or white labe of Englyshe, walsche, or Iersse growynge: Nor shall weare any lhytte or whirtebande, vnder or vpper cappe, cospse, bonet, or hat, garnished, mixt, made or wrought with silke, golde, or siluer: Nor shall weare any bonet or whirtebande, made or wrought out of this realme of England, or wales. Neuer thelesse it shall be lefull for him to weare a silke ribande for his bonet, and also the cognifance or badg of his lord or mayster, and a horne tipped or flewed with siluer, gyfte or vngyfte: And also they and all other persons to weare on theyr bonettes all suche games of syluer, gyfte, or vngyfte, as they or any of them may win by wassling, shoting, remyng, leaping or castinge of the barre, and also maisters of the shippes or other vessels and mariners to weare whiffelles of siluer, with the cheyne of siluer to hange the same vppon, any former cause in this acte heretofore mencioned to the contrary not withstanding.

¶ And that no husbnde man, from the sayd feast, weare in hoses, anye clothe aboue price of the yerde. ii. shillings, or any clothe in his gowne aboue the price iiii. s. the bryde yerde, or in his iackete or cote aboue the price of .ii. s. viii. pence the bryde yerde. Nor in his doublet any other thing than is wrought within this realme, fustian and canvas onely excepted, nor any manner furre in any his apparayle.

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And that no serving man in husbandrie, or iourney man in handie craftes, takyng wages, after and from the feast aforesayd: weare in his ho-les any clothe above the pyce of xvi. d. the yarde, nor shall weare any clothe in his gowne, jakette or cote, above the pyce of ii. s. viii. d. the brode yarde, nor in his doublet any other thing than fustian, canvas, or lether or wol- len clothe, nor any maner of furre in any his apparayle.

Provided alwayes, that all such officers and seruantes, waytynge, or attendyng vppon the kyng, the Queene, the prince or princes, dayly, perey or quarterly in their houlhousdes, or being in their eichequire rolle, as shal be admitted, assigned, and licenced by his grace, to vse or weare any maner apparayle on their bodies, horses, mules, or other beastes, other wyse than is afore expessed, shall now lawfully do the same, accordyng to the licēce whiche shall be geuen vnto them in that behalfe. The same licence to be declared in wrytyng by the kinges highnes or the lord steward of his most honozable householde, or the lord chamberleyu, knowyng the kynes most gracious pleasure in the same.

Provided also that the vice chamberlayne, Steward, Treasorer, and Comptroller of the frenche queenes honozable householde, and euerie of them for the time beyng, after and from the sayd feast, may weare in their gownes cotes, jakettes, doublettes, and other their apparaile, veluete, satten, and damaske, being of the colour of blacke, tawny, or russet, and also cheynes, and broches of golde, of suche value as they wyll at theyr li- bertee, this presente acte, or any thyng therein mencioned to the contrarye not withstanding.

Provided also, that the lord Chancellor, and the lord Tresorer of Englande, the president of the kynes counsaile, and the lord prync seale, for the time beyng, of what estate or degree so euer they bee, besydes those comes, may weare in their apparayle veluet, satten, and other sikkes of any colours, excepte purple, and anye maner furies, excepte blacke genettes: any thing in this acte mencioned to the contrary notwithstanding.

Be it further enacted, that after the sayde feast, none of the clergie, vnder the dignitee of a bishoppe, abbotte, or priour, beinge a lord of the par- liamente, weare in anye parte of his or their apparayle of theyr bodies or on their horses any maner of stufte, wrought or made out of thys realme, of Englande, Irelande, Wales, Calers, Berwyke, or the marches of the same, excepte that it shall be lesfull to all archdeacons, deanes, prouostes, mapsters, and wardens of cathedrall, and colegiate churches, prebenda- ries, doctours, or bachelours in diuinitee, doctours of the one lawe or the other, and also doctours of other sciences whiche haue taken that degree or be admitted in any vniuersitee, to weare sarcenet in the lyneng of their gownes, blacke satten or blacke chamlet in their doublettes, and sleueles cotes, and blacke veluet, or blacke sarcenet, or blacke satten, in theyr ty- pettes, and rydyng hoodes or gyrdels, and also clothe of the colours of charlet, murrey, or violet, and furies called gray, blacke boge, soynges, shan- kes,

be s. or meueuer in t heir go'wines and sleueles cotes, any thinge before me-
tioned to the contrarie nor withstanding. And that none of the Clergie,
vnder the degrees aforesayde, weare any maner of furre, other the black
cony, budge, greg cony, shankes, calaber gray,liche, fore, lambe, otter, and
beuer: And that none so the clergie vnder the degrees aforesayd, other then
maisters of arte, and bachelers of the one lawe or the other, admitted in
any vniuersitee or suche other of the sayde clergie as maye dispende yerely
xx. li. ouer all charges, shall weare in their tippettes any maner of sarcenet
or other silke.

Choughed also, that this acte, or any thing therein conteyned, shall not
extende nor be hurtfull or prejudiciall to any the kynges moste honorable
counsell: ne to Iustices of the one benche or the other the barons of the
kinges eschequire, the maister of h rolles, seriauntes at lawe, the maisters
of the Chanerie, nee to any of the counsell of the queene, prince or princes,
apprentises of the lawe, the kinges, the queenes, the princes, & the princeles
physicians, mayres, recorders, aldermen, shyffes, bailiffes elect, and all o-
ther head officers of cities, towne, and boroughes corporat, wardens of
occupacions, the barons of the b. portes, that is to say, to all the sayd offi-
cers and personnes, that now be, or heretofore haue bene in lyke roome,
place, office or auctorytee, or hereafter for the time shall be, as well in the
time as after that they haue bene in any suche place, office, come or aucto-
ritee but that they shall now at all tymes weare, after the sayd feaste, all
such apparaile in and vpon their bodys, hoxes, mules, and other beastes
and also cite:ens, and burgesles, shall now weare suche hoodes of clothe,
and of suche colours, as they haue heretofore vled to weare: any thyng in
this acte mencioned to the contrary notwithstanding, except that it shall
not be lesfull to anye of them to weare beluet, Damaske, or saten of the co-
lours of crimelin, violet, putpore, or blew, other wise than by the continue
of this acte, in anye of the claudes before mencioned, is by reason of theyr
landes or otherwyse permitted, limited, or assigned.

The also this acte or any thyng therein mencioned: shall extende to am-
balladours or other personages: sente from outwarde princes, or to noble
men, or other comynge into the kynges realme, or other parte of his obey-
sance, to visite, see, or salute his grace, or to se the countrie, and not minded
to make longe or continual demoyze in the same, ne to any benche man, he-
ralde, or purcuante at armes, minstrels, plaier in enterludes, sightes, re-
uels, iustes tourneis, barriers, solempne watches, or other martial feates
or disguisings, or to men of war, beyng in the kynges wages of warre,
nor to any man, for wearyng any apparayle, geuen vnto him by the ky-
nges highnes, the queene, the frenche queene, the prince or princes, ne to any
swoorde beater of the cite of London, or of any cytie, borowe, or to town cor-
porate. The also shall extende to any vtter barrestor of any of the innes of
courte for wearyng in any his apparayle, suche sylke and furre: as is
before limited for men that may dispende in landes, tenementes, rentes,
fees

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Letz of annuities for tyme of life. xx. li. ouer all charges, nor to any other student of the Junes of the court of Chancery, or to any gentylman being seruante to anye lord, knyght, squier, or gentylman of thys realme, whose mayster may dispense. And ouer all charges, for wearynge by such studente or gentylman beinge seruante, of doublettes and partlets of satten, damaske, or chaunlet, or tackettes, of chemise: which doublettes, partlets, or tackettes be giuen vnto them by any of thei parentes, masters, or kynnesfolkes, so alwayes they be not of the colours of crimisen, purpure, scarlett, or blew, or for wearing of any furre, wherof the like groweth within this realme, Wales, or Ireland, marrens and blacke cony excepte.

¶ It is also further enacted, that if any man vfe of weare, at anye time after the sayde feast, anye apparayle, or other the premisses contrarye to the tenour and sountine aforesayde, than he so offendynge, shall forsayte the same apparayle, and other the premisses, so by him vfed or worne vpon his person, horse, mule, or other beaste, wherewith so euer it be garnished embowded, doubled, or mixed, or the value thereof: and also .iiij. s. iiii. d. in the name of a fine for euery day, that he shall so weare the same, contrary to the tenour and purpose of thys acte. And that euery manne, that woul, may lawfullye sue for the same, by action of detinue, to be commenced within xij. daies next after the beginninge of the termes, nexte ensuynge, after any such time and cause of forsayture so giuen: in the whych action the defendaunt shall not be suffered to wage his lawe, nor anye essoyne or protection shalbe to him allowed in that behalfe. The one halfe of the whych forsayture and fine shall be to the kynges highnes, and the other halfe to him or them, that wyl sue, for the same, in forne, and within the tyme before limited.

¶ And it is further enacted by the auctorite aforesayde, that it shalbe lawfull to the Justices of peace in their sessions, the shryffes in his Turne, the stewards in any lette or lawday, the aldermen in their wardes, and to all other persones haunyng auctoritie to enquire of bloodshed and feares, to enquire of euery of the sayd offences and forsaytures, and the parties offending against this statute, and so presented, shal, make fine in maner and forme, and after the rate aforesayd.

¶ Quer that it is enacted, by the auctorite aforesayde that all other actes made for reformation of excess in apparayle or array, at anye tyme before thys present parliament, and all and singuler articles, prouisions, forsaytures, and penalties, mentioned in the sayde former actes or any of them, be from henceforth utterly voyde, expelled, extincte, and of none effecte: And all transgressions, offences, sommes of money, penalties, and forsaytures for any thyng done contrary to the sayde former actes, or anye of them, be fore thys tyme made for reformation of excess in apparayle, be clerelye remitted, pardoned, & released, and the offenders in that behalfe, and euery of them to be thereof discharged and acquitted for euer.

¶ Provided alwayes, that this acte, nor any thinge therein conteyned, be hurt

hurtfull or prejudiciall to anye spirituall or temporall persons, in and for the wearpnge any ornaments of the church, vied for executynge diuine service, or for wearpnge their amices, mantils, habites, or garments of religion, or other thinges, whiche they be vied or bounde vnto by theyr tomes, or promotions, or religions, ne also to any graduates, beaodels, or ministers to the garduates in vniuersities and scoles, for wearpnge of theyr habites or hoodes, with furrer, lininges, or otherwyle, after suche forme as heretofore they haue ben accustomed to do, any thinge in this presente act, made to the contrary not withstanding.

It is provided, also that this acte, no, any thing therein conteyned, be prejudiciall or hurtfull to anye person or persones, for wearpnge of any linnen clothe, made or wrought out of this realme, or other parties of the kynges obedience, ne to any person, beyng of the degree of a gentelman, for wearpnge of any surte made, wrought or embrouded with threde and silke or hely, so the same worke, or embrouderie, be made within this realme of englande, wales, Calais, Berwike, or the marches.

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